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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed October 28, 2008, Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following amendments and remarks. Applicants are concurrently submitting a Notice of Appeal. A Shortened Statutory Period is set to expire three (3) months after the mailing of the Office Action, *i.e.*, January 28, 2009. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that the filing of this response on January 23, 2009 is timely.

In response to the Office Action, Applicants request consideration of the following Remarks.

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Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.